Announcement of National Textile Policy

†1230. SHRI KAPIL SIBAL:
SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH:
SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering to announce a National Textile Policy in the country;

(b) if so, by when it would be announced;

(c) whether Government have received the suggestions from the representatives of handloom, powerloom and textile mill sectors of the industry prior to the formulation of the policy; and

(d) if so, the facts in this regard and the sources other than the mentioned above from which Government received the suggestions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN): (a) to (d) Yes Sir, Government would soon announce the new Textile Policy drafted on the basis of over all trade policy reforms and taking into consideration the report of the Sathyam Committee which widely consulted various trade organisations, labour unions, representatives of various sectors of textile industry, trade bodies, State Governments etc. before finalising its recommendations. However, no time frame has been set.

Export target for textile industry

†1231. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH:
SHRI KAPIL SIBAL:

Will the Minister for TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government had fixed the export target for textile industry;

(b) if so, the value of export target for the financial years of 1998-99, 1999-2000 and 2000-2001;

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